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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:

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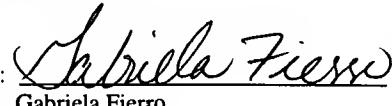
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 2, 1999. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by May 2, 1999, and this response is being submitted within that time period. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

**REMARKS**

Claims 16-32 are pending in the present application.